AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The claims are not amended. A complete listing of the claims, including their current status, is set forth below.

1-37 (Cancelled)

38. **(Previously presented)** A cell-free composition comprising:

an isolated Tankyrase H protein; and a source of ADP ribose;

wherein said isolated Tankyrase H protein exhibits poly-ADP ribose polymerase activity and has an amino acid sequence that is at least 95% identical to the entire contiguous sequence of SEQ ID NO:3 or SEQ ID NO:4.

- 39. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 38, further comprising: a candidate bioactive agent.
- 40. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 39, wherein said candidate bioactive agent is an organic molecule of less than 2,500 Da.
- 41. **(Previously presented)** The composition of claim 39, wherein the candidate bioactive agent is a peptide.
- 42. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 38, wherein said composition is a cell lysate.
- 43. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 38, wherein said Tankyrase H protein is a fusion protein.

44. (Cancelled)

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- 45. **(Withdrawn)** A method of using the composition of claim 38, comprising: contacting the composition of claim 38 with a test agent; and determining any effect of said test agent on said poly-ADP ribose polymerase activity.
- 46. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 45, wherein said test agent is an organic molecule of less than 2,500 Da.
 - 47. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 45, wherein the test agent is a peptide.